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# Regular Meeting, Open Session Minutes – Video and Riverboat Illinois Gaming Board Chicago, Illinois December 12, 2018

The Illinois Gaming Board ("Board") convened for a Regular Meeting – Video and Riverboat– on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. in the Conference Room of the Gaming Board office on the 5th Floor of the Michael Bilandic Building Center, Chicago, IL pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.

#### APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Member Alejandre moved that the Board approve the open session minutes from its Regular Meeting of November 2, 2018. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/COMMENTS

The Chairman announced that the full 2019 Board meeting schedule is now known. The Board meeting dates were announced as follows: January 30th, March 1<sup>st</sup>, April 18<sup>th</sup>, June 13<sup>th</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup>, September 5<sup>th</sup>, October 24<sup>th</sup>, November 21<sup>st</sup> and December 19<sup>th</sup>. The Chairman also announced that the proposed inducement rule for Video Gaming was pulled from the December 12, 2018 agenda.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Acting Administrator Agostino Lorenzini noted that there are currently 6,753 licensed Video Gaming Location establishments operating approximately 30,384 video gaming terminals.

#### **OWNER LICENSEE ITEMS**

#### Final Consideration:

• HC Aurora, LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino Aurora - Final Consideration of Owner's License Renewal.

Member Dolins moved that the Board <u>table</u> consideration of the request by **HC Aurora**, **LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino Aurora** to renew its Owners License, to a future Board meeting date. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

• **Bruce Clarke Caughill** – Midwest Gaming & Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Rivers Casino - Audit and Compliance Committee Member – Key Person

Member Dolins moved that the Board find **Bruce Clarke Caughill** suitable as a Key Person of Midwest Gaming & Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Rivers Casino in his role as Member of the Audit and Compliance Committee of business entity Rush Street Gaming. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## RIVERBOAT SUPPLIER LICENSEE ITEMS

• Incredible Technologies, Inc. – (Riverboat Supplier License renewal)

Member Alejandre moved that the Board renew the Riverboat Supplier License of Incredible Technologies, Inc. for a period of four years, expiring December 2022, and approve the following individuals as Key Persons:

- o Richard Allen Ditton
- James Michael Dore
- o Elaine Alison Hodgson

Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

• Christopher B. Justice – Global Payments Gaming Services, Inc. – President – Key Person

Member Robinson moved that the Board find **Christopher B. Justice** suitable as a Key Person of Global Payments Gaming Services, Inc. in his role as President. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

• Marc A. Masi – Data Financial, Inc. – Co-President/Co-Owner – Key Person

Member Robinson moved that the Board find **Marc A. Masi** suitable as a Key Person of Data Financial, Inc. in his role as Co-President/Co-Owner. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

• **Steven G. Schroeder** – Data Financial, Inc. – Co-President/Co-Owner – Key Person

Member Robinson moved that the Board find **Steven G. Schroeder** suitable as a Key Person of Data Financial, Inc. in his role as Co-President/Co-Owner. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

### OCCUPATIONAL LICENSEE ITEMS

#### Level 1 Items:

• **Joseph M. Hargis** – Director of Security – Level 1 – The Rock Island Boatworks, Inc. d/b/a Jumer's Casino & Hotel

Member Alejandre moved that the Board approve **Joseph M. Hargis** as a Level 1 Occupational Licensee in his position as Director of Security, for The Rock Island Boatworks, Inc. d/b/a Jumer's Casino & Hotel. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice

vote.

## <u>Initial Level 2 and Level 3 Licenses – Approvals and Denials:</u>

Member Dolins moved that the Board find suitable and approve 44 **Level 2** occupational licenses and 101 **Level 3** occupational licenses, and authorize the Administrator to issue Notices of Denial to:

- o Rhianna Cire Williams
- o Martin Edward Gabel
- o Shirley Grant-Pruitte

Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

### **DISCIPLINARY COMPLAINTS**

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint <u>fining\_Alton Casino</u>, LLC d/b/a Argosy Casino Alton \$25,000 for violating IGB Rules and its internal controls by offering for play Electronic Gaming Devices loaded with software that had been previously revoked, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint revoking **William B. Hayles'** Occupational Level 1 licenses, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint revoking **George Haldeman's** Occupational Level 1 licenses, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board table the motion to suspend **Gregory R. Moore's** Occupational Level 1 license. Chairman Tracy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board rescind the prior actions regarding Messrs. Hayles and Haldeman. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint <u>revoking Alishah Barikzai's</u>, Occupational Level 3 license, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint <u>revoking</u> Christopher Reynaldo Calderone's Occupational Level 2 license, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## PROPOSED VIDEO GAMING RULE 340

Member Dolins moved that the Board <u>table</u> consideration of the submission of Rule 340 to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules as a new rule to the Illinois Gaming Board's Administrative Rules for Video Gaming, to a future Board meeting date. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## VIDEO GAMING MANUFACTURER, DISTRIBUTOR & SUPPLIER LICENSEE ITEMS

## • Illinois Rewards, Inc.

Member Robinson moved that the Board <u>renew\_Illinois</u> Rewards, Inc.'s Video Gaming Supplier license for a period of one year, expiring in December 2019. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## • SUZOHAPP Gaming Solutions, LLC

Member Robinson moved that the Board <u>table</u> consideration of the renewal of **SUZOHAPP Gaming Solutions, LLC's** Video Gaming Distributor license, to a future Board meeting date. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

#### TERMINAL OPERATOR LICENSEE ITEMS

### **Initial License**

## • Sunrise Gaming, LLC d/b/a Better Gaming Group

Member Alejandre moved that the Board <u>grant</u> a Terminal Operator license to **Sunrise Gaming, LLC d/b/a Better Gaming Group** for a term of one year, expiring in December 2019, as the applicant has demonstrated its qualifications and suitability for licensure. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

### License Renewals

Member Alejandre moved that the Board **renew** the following Terminal Operators' licenses for a period of one year, expiring in December 2019:

- Jackpot Video Gaming Inc.
- Springfield Gaming, LLC

Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

### **TECHNICIANS & TERMINAL HANDLERS**

### <u>Initial Licenses – Approval and Denials</u>

Member Dolins moved that the Board approve 30 **Terminal Handler licenses** and authorize the Administrator to issue a **Notices of Denial** to:

- Timothy Keith Evitts
- Michael Edward White
- Marvell David Weslev
- Anthony Ray Jemison
- Steven Lamar Brown
- Betim Saliji
- Alexander J. Kahmann
- Terry Mabry Jr.

Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

### License Renewals and Non-Renewals

Member Dolins moved that the Board <u>renew</u> the <u>Technicians</u>' and <u>Terminal Handlers</u>' licenses who were licensed or renewed in December 2017 and who have properly updated their applications, timely paid their annual fees, and are in compliance with the requirements of the Video Gaming Act and the Board's Rules. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

#### VIDEO GAMING ESTABLISHMENT APPLICATIONS

### Initial Licenses - Approvals & Denials

Member Robinson moved that the Board approve <u>81 Video Gaming Establishment Licenses</u>, for a period of one year, expiring in December 2019, and authorize the Administrator to issue **Notices of Denial** to:

- BNT GROUP LLC d/b/a BP Washington Park
- DB JACKPOT, LLC
- Market Square Hospitality, LLC d/b/a The Inn at Market Square
- Onesti Entertainment Corporation d/b/a Arcada Theatre
- CALM & CHAOS LLC d/b/a THE IRISH LEGEND
- Sunshine USA Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Morris Citgo
- Rachels Cafe Inc. d/b/a Rachel's Cafe

Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board <u>denv</u> the location establishment application of **Scorchy Cafe Italiano**, **Inc.** d/b/a **Scorchy Cafe Italiano**. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## License Renewals and Non-Renewals

Member Alejandre moved that the Board <u>renew</u> the licenses of Retail Establishments, Truck Stop Establishments, Veterans Establishments and Fraternal Establishments that were licensed or renewed in December 2017 and that have properly updated their applications, timely paid their annual fee, and are otherwise in compliance with the requirements of the Act and the Board's Rules. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## REQUESTS FOR HEARING, REQUESTS TO REAPPLY

### Requests for Hearing

Member Dolins moved that the Board <u>denv</u> the request for hearing submitted by **Matthew Walsh Duffy**. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board rescind the November 2018 denial of **RACHEL'S PLACE, INC. d/b/a Rachel's Place** (160703941) and grant the request to withdraw the application. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board **grant** the hearing request submitted by **D D** & **M PETROLEUM, INC. d/b/a MCCOOK BP.** Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## Requests to Reapply

Member Alejandre moved that the Board **grant** the request by **Matthew Walsh Duffy** to reapply for a terminal handler license. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board **grant** the request by **JBH PETROLEUM & FOODMART INC. d/b/a JBH KNOXVILLE** to reapply for an establishment license. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board **grant** the request by **LUNA PROPERTIES II, INC d/b/a Luna Café** to reapply for an establishment license contingent upon withdrawing their hearing request. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed three to one via voice vote. Member Robinson voted nay.

## **DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

### **Location Licensees**

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **WML Enterprises**, **LLC d/b/a Jen G's Pizza & Pub** the sum of \$30,000 for operating VGTs without a valid license, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly

filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **Tap Room Gaming**, **LLC** the sum of \$60,000 for operating VGTs without a valid license, with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **ZANNIE SPATES d/b/a THE LOTUS FLOWER** the sum of \$1,500 for conducting its video gaming operation in a manner that discredits or tends to discredit the Illinois gaming industry or the State of Illinois; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **GEMSTOP INC.** d/b/a **GEMSTOP** the sum of \$5,000 for its failure to properly monitor VGTs and to exercise control over the licensed video gaming location; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **HARSHAL**, **INC. d/b/a SPEEDYMART**, the sum of \$3,000 for its failure to comply with or make provision for compliance State law or regulation; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **COREY GILLAM d/b/a GEORGE'S PUB** the sum of \$1,000; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint revoking the establishment license of **THE NEW BLUE ROOM CORPORATION d/b/a MANNY'S BLUE ROOM**; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint revoking the establishment licenses of **Infinity Lounge LTD.** d/b/a **Infinity Lounge & BC Tappers, Inc.** d/b/a **It's About Time** for associating with individuals of notorious reputation, employing someone unsuitable to be a person with significant influence or control, and misrepresenting information to the Board; with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining KARCO INC. d/b/a ROLLNUP #16 SMOKE SHOP & LIQUOR \$5,000; said action to take effect 21 days from the date

of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **Eureka Entertainment**, **LLC d/b/a Universal Gaming Group** \$10,000; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining each of the following location establishments the sum of \$5,000; with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe.

GNCD, INC. d/b/a Poor Boys Lounge JIMMY'S PLACE ENTERPRISES, INC. d/b/a JIMMY'S PLACE ADVANCED AMUSEMENT SERVICE, L.L.C. d/b/a BRONZE EAGLE PUB BNPPC, LLC d/b/a RIVERSIDE PIZZA & PUB SAINT CHARLES SPORTS, LLC d/b/a SPOTTED FOX ALE HOUSE L. A. MANSON CORPORATION d/b/a SAINT CHARLES BOWL Alley 64, INC. d/b/a ALLEY 64 Chrissy's, LLC d/b/a CHRISSY'S Cosmos Sports Bar & Entertainment LLC d/b/a COSMOS SPORTS BAR Bacchus' Nibbles, Inc. d/b/a BACCHUS NIBBLES B & H Krupa, Inc. d/b/a CORNER PANTRY GRAHAM ENTERPRISE, INC. d/b/a WAUCONDA BP DRAGON2 LLC d/b/a LUCKY BERNIE'S Slager's on 47<sup>th</sup> d/b/a SLAGER'S ON 47TH Joe's Saloon Inc. d/b/a JOE'S SALOON Burrito-Mex, Inc. d/b/a BURRITO-MEX Augustino's Deli, Inc. d/b/a AUGUSTINO'S ROCK N' ROLL DELI

Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Alejandre moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint fining **DRAGON2 LLC d/b/a LUCKY BERNIE'S** the sum of \$5,000 for offering alcohol to a minor who was playing VGTs at the time; with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint revoking the establishment licenses of **ANNABCICERO INC.** d/b/a **BIG TOP** & **ANNABCICERO2 INC.** d/b/a **BIG TOP 2** for failing to disclose its ownership and for its association with recognized organized crime figures and persons of notorious or unsavory reputations; said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins further moved that the Board issue a Notice of Disassociation to **Gold Rush Amusements, Inc.** ordering that it disassociate from **Anna Benedikt.** Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board issue a Notice of Disassociation to **Accel Entertainment Gaming, LLC** ordering that it disassociate from **Vincenzo Dublino**. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Member Dolins further moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint revoking the terminal handler license of **Vincenzo Dublino** for failure to comply with state law and rules, obstructing lawful activities of the Board, and engaging in unfair or deceptive acts; with said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

#### LITIGATION

## **Settlements**

### • DC-V-18-49 Satellite Tayern LLC d/b/a Satellite Tayern

Member Robinson moved that the Board authorize the Administrator to enter into a settlement agreement in the matter of **Satellite Tavern LLC d/b/a Satellite Tavern, DC-V-18-49**, and, if appropriate, to administratively dismiss the disciplinary complaint upon verification of the change of ownership. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

• DC-V-18-46 JD Elliott, Inc. d/b/a JD's Cues and Brews

Member Robinson moved that the Board authorize the Administrator to enter into a settlement agreement in the matter of **JD Elliot, Inc. d/b/a JD's Cues and Brews,** DC-V-18-46, and if appropriate, to administratively dismiss the disciplinary complaint. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

- Jenny's LLC Sparta, d/b/a The Wayward Pub DC-V-18-42 and
- Jenny's LLC Freeburg, d/b/a The Wayward Pub DC-V-18-43

Member Alejandre moved that the Board authorize the Administrator to negotiate and enter into a settlement agreement in the matters of Jenny's LLC – Sparta, d/b/a The Wayward Pub and Jenny's LLC – Freeburg, d/b/a The Wayward Pub, DC-V-18-42 and DC-V-18-43 respectively, and if appropriate, to administratively dismiss the disciplinary complaints, upon determination by the Administrator of a suitable fine amount. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

• 120707915 Rick & Anita's Inc., d/b/a Rick & Anita's

Member Alejandre moved that the Board authorize the Administrator to enter into a settlement agreement in the matter of the renewal of **Rick & Anita's Inc., d/b/a Rick & Anita's,** and if appropriate, to administratively dismiss the disciplinary complaints. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

## • 120710089 BEARS SHOWTOWN USA, INC. d/b/a BEARS SHOWTOWN USA

Member Dolins moved that the Board authorize the Administrator to enter into a settlement agreement in the matter of the renewal of **BEARS SHOWTOWN USA**, **INC. d/b/a BEARS SHOWTOWN USA**, and if appropriate, to administratively dismiss the disciplinary complaints. Member Alejandre seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

#### **ADJOURN**

Member Dolins moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.